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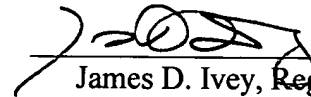
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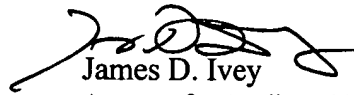
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If the Examiner has any questions or comments with respect to the present application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (510) 336-1100.

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